

45. *Podophyllum hexandrum* (emodi) (Indian Podophyllum)
46. *Cyatheaceae* species (Tree Ferns)
47. *Cycadaceae* species (Cycads)
48. *Dioscorea deltoidea* (Elephant's foot)
49. *Euphorbia* species (Euphorbias)
50. *Orchidaceae* species (Orchids)
51. *Pterocarpus santalinus* (Red Sanders)
52. *Taxus wallichiana* (Common yew or Birmi leaves)
53. *Aquilaria malaccensis* (Agarwood)

2. Plants and plant portions, derivatives and extracts (including value added herbal formulations) of the cultivated varieties of the species above will be allowed for export subject to production of a Certificate of Cultivation from Regional Deputy Director (Wildlife), or Chief Conservator of Forests or Divisional Forest Officers of the State concerned from where these plants and plant portions have been procured. However in respect of cultivated varieties of the species covered by Appendix I (S. No. 36 to 41 of Paragraph 2 above) and Appendix II (S. No. 42 to 53 of Paragraph 2 above) of CITES, a CITES Permit for export will also be required.

3. The export of value added herbal formulations made out of imported species of plants and plant portions as specified above will be allowed freely without any restriction subject for furnishing of an affidavit to the Customs authorities at the time of export that only the imported plant species as above has been used for the manufacture of value added herbal formulation being exported. In the event of affidavit providing to be false, on the basis of random sample tests, action would be initiated against the firm under the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992.

4. Exports allowed only through the ports of Bombay, Calcutta, Cochin, Delhi, Madras, Tuticorin and Amritsar.

[Translation]

#### Vidarbha State

909. SHRI HANSRAJ AHIR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to develop Adivasi dominated and undeveloped States;

(b) if so, whether the Government are considering to form a new state in accordance with the demands;

(c) if not, whether the Government do not find any facts in the recommendations in regard to the formation of Vidarbha State made by Fajal Ali Commission in time of restructuring of States in 1956; and

(d) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to form a separate State for the development of Vidarbha?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (d) The Government's policy is to advance the principles of political, administrative and economic federalism, as a consequence of which the benefits of developments are expected to percolate down much faster to the hitherto underdeveloped regions of the country where from the demands for Statehood are emanating

Article 371(2) of the Constitution of India provides, inter alia, that the President may by order made with respect to the State of Maharashtra provide for any special responsibility of the Governor for (a) the establishment of separate development boards for Vidarbha, Marathwada and the rest of Maharashtra, (b) the equitable allocation of funds for developmental expenditure over the said areas, subject to the requirements of the State as a whole; and (c) an equitable arrangement providing adequate facilities for technical education and vocational training, and adequate opportunities for employment in services under the control of the State Government, in respect of all the said areas, subject to the requirements of the State as a whole. These development boards are now functioning.

#### Bhoj-wet Land Project

910. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made in the implementation of "Bhoj-wet land Project in Bhopal alongwith its total cost and the amount of expenditure incurred so far;

(b) the amount spent by the various departments during 1996-97 and 1997-98, separately and their achievements so far;

(c) whether any Japanese team has studied the achievements made under the project;

(d) whether any misappropriation in the assistance for the project has been noticed by the Government;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) the action taken against the erring officials?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ) : (a) The State Government has informed that the total cost of the project is Rs. 231.51 crores. Work on Retghat-Lalghati Link Road, afforestation, and solid waste management is in progress.

Rs. 14.66 crores expenditure has been incurred from April 1995 to June 1997.

(b) A statement indicating amounts spent on various activities by various Implementing Agencies is enclosed.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The State Government has informed that there is no evidence of misappropriation of funds.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) Does not arise.

#### **Statement**

S.No.	Activity	Expenditure (Rs. in crore)		Physical Progress	Implementing Agency
		1996-97	1997-98		
		Upto June 97			
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Afforestation	0.84		Plantation of 10.83 lakhs plants completed. 48 KM fencing completed.	Forest Division
2.	Check Dam, Silt traps, to walls and cascading	0.06			
3.	Prevention of Pollution (Sewerage Scheme)	0.10		Revision of DPR in progress	Water Supply Division of Capital Project Administration
4.	Link Road from Retaghat to Lalghati	4.01		Road, Bridge Work in progress	Construction Division of Capital Project Administration
5.	Solid Waste Management	0.09	0.05	Revision of DPR in progress	Bhopal Municipal Corporation
6.	Prevention of pollution from Dhobighat	0.17		-do-	-do-

1	2	3	4	5	6
7.	Monitoring of water quality	0.03		-do-	Environment Planning and Coordination Organisation
8.	Biological control through aquaculture	—	0.06	-do-	Fisheries Development Corporation
9.	Administrative Cost	0.27	0.05		Environment Planning and Coordination Organisation
	Consulting Services	0.73	0.60		
	Physical contingencies	0.33	0.07		

[English]

**Export Oriented Units in the FPI**

911. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI : Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have approved 91 projects for setting up 100 per cent export oriented units and joint ventures in the Food Processing Industries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total investment incurred on these projects and share of foreign investment therein; and

(d) the locations of the proposed units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI DILIP KUMAR RAY) : (a) to (d) During the post liberalised period from July 1991 to June 1997, Government have approved 983 joint ventures, 100 per cent EOU and industrial licence proposals for setting up of units in the various sectors of food processing. These proposals envisage a total investment of Rs. 17,130 crores including foreign investment to Rs. 7,886 crores. The proposals are for setting up of units in the States of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh,

Maharashtra, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Sikkim, Delhi, Goa and the Union Territories of Chandigarh, Dadar & Nagar Haveli, Andaman & Nicobar, Daman & Diu and Pondicherry.

[Translation]

**Piggery**

912. SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether training is being imparted to the trainees in the trade of piggery in the Central Dairy Farm, Aligarh;

(b) whether any financial assistance is provided by the Government to these persons/who have received training in the piggery in order to get them established in this business;

(c) if so, the details of assistance provided by the Government during the last three years; and

(d) the details of increase in the export of pork during each of the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) Yes, Sir.